**Docket No. 990462C1**                                    **Serial No. 10/622,598**

<u>AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:</u>

1. (Original) A wireless communication device comprising:

a keypad having buttons, wherein the buttons have alphabetical characters mapped to corresponding numeric characters;

a memory configured to store a string of alphanumeric characters representing a telephone number; and

an alphanumeric converter, coupled with the memory, configured to receive the string of alphanumeric characters and to translate the string of alphanumeric characters into corresponding numeric characters.

2. (Original) A wireless communication device comprising:

means for mapping alphabetical characters to corresponding numeric characters;

means for storing a string of alphanumeric characters representing a telephone number; and

means for receiving the string of alphanumeric characters and translating the string of alphanumeric characters into corresponding numeric characters.

3. (Original) A method comprising:

mapping alphabetical characters to corresponding numeric characters;

storing a string of alphanumeric characters representing a telephone number; and

receiving the string of alphanumeric characters and translating the string of alphanumeric characters into corresponding numeric characters.

4. (New) A wireless communication device according to claim 1 further comprising:

logic circuitry configured to:

identify the string of alphanumeric characters stored in the memory;

retrieve the string of alphanumeric characters from the memory;

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executing a dialing function using the string of alphanumeric characters retrieved from the memory; and

dial the telephone number using the numeric characters.

5. (New) A wireless communication device according to claim 2 further comprising:

means for:

identifying the string of alphanumeric characters stored in the memory;

retrieving the string of alphanumeric characters from the memory;

executing a dialing function using the string of alphanumeric characters retrieved from the memory; and

dialing the telephone number using the numeric characters.

6. (New) A method according to claim 3 further comprising:

identifying the string of alphanumeric characters stored in the memory;

retrieving the string of alphanumeric characters from the memory;

executing a dialing function using the string of alphanumeric characters retrieved from the memory; and

dialing the telephone number using the numeric characters.

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